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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENTS AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Group Art Unit: 1742  
PIERRE LABELLE, ET AL. ) Examiner: Michael P. Alexander  
Serial No.: 10/667,023 )  
Filed: September 18, 2003 )  
For: MAGNESIUM-BASED ALLOY FOR )  
SEMI-SOLID CASTING HAVING )  
ELEVATED TEMPERATURE )  
PROPERTIES )

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The present Amendment, which is being filed after receipt of an Advisory Action mailed July 11, 2006, and concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of the above-identified application, serves to further respond to the Final Action mailed April 25, 2006. Applicant hereby respectfully requests that the rejected claims be amended, without prejudice, as set forth herein below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.